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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the outstanding final Office Action mailed February 13, 2001 and is submitted along with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the same date.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-59.

Please add new claims 60-77.

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(New) A dough forming and cutting apparatus for shaping and cutting a dough sheet having a first surface with a first skin and a second surface with a second skin, the apparatus comprising:

a cutter having a blunt dough engaging portion which is at least approximately 6 mm thick and that extends sufficiently to sever the dough sheet, the blunt dough engaging portion having a dough shaping surface to shape and sever the dough sheet;

wherein the dough shaping surface comprises at least a surface portion that is not perpendicular to/its/direction of extension for engaging against the dough surface and